PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

Applicants respectfully request this Listing of Claims replace all prior versions and listings of the claims in this application:

Listing of Claims:

1.-95. (canceled)

96. (presently amended) A process for the preparation of a solid composition which is capable of being formed into a solid oral dosage form for delivery to an intestine comprising the step of:

a) providing a blend of a hydrophilic or macromolecular drug and, as an enhancer:

(i) a salt of a medium chain fatty acid having a carbon chain length of from 6 to 20 carbon atoms;

(ii) a medium chain fatty acid halide derivative, a medium chain fatty acid anhydride derivative, or a medium chain fatty acid glyceride derivative, each of said derivatives having a carbon chain length of from 6 to 20 carbon atoms; ~~or~~

(iii) the fatty acid salt of clause (i) having, at the end opposite the fatty acid salt, an acid halide, an acid anhydride, or glyceride moiety;

(iv) an acid halide derivative of clause (ii) above having, at the end opposite of the halide portion, an acid halide, acid anhydride, or glyceride moiety;

(v) an anhydride derivative of clause (ii) above having, at the end opposite of the anhydride, an acid anhydride, acid halide, or glyceride moiety; or

(vi) a glyceride derivative of clause (ii) above having, at the end opposite of the glyceride portion, a glyceride, an acid halide, or acid anhydride moiety;

which blend also comprises, optionally, another constituent(s); wherein said blend and each of said drug, enhancer, and optional constituent(s) is a solid at room

temperature.

97. (previously presented) The process according to claim 96 wherein the drug and the enhancer are blended in a ratio of from 1:100,000 to 10:1 (drug: enhancer).

98-109.(canceled)